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**AMENDMENT AND REMARKS ACCOMPANYING**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated May 18, 2007 ("Final Office Action"), having a shortened statutory period set to expire on August 18, 2007. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**No Amendments to the Specification** are presented in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**No Amendments to the Drawings** are presented in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.